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Dear Mr. Neal and National Organic Standards Board,

This letter is in reference to the National Organic Program, Sunset Review,  
Docket number TM-04-07. AGRANO GmbH & Co. KG supports the continued allowance of the  
following substance(s):

Name of Substance	Location on National List	Reason for continued allowance.
Calcium Hydroxide	§ 205.605	Calcium Hydroxide is a chemical buffer for acid solvents. It can be used in fermentations and for extracts e. g. yeast extract. Calcium hydroxide is the only alkaline substance generally allowed in the EU organic regulation (EWG No. 2092/91)
Sodium Bicarbonate	§ 205.605	Sodium Bicarbonate is an important ingredient in baking powder
Potassium Tartrate	§ 205.605	Potassium Tartrate is an important ingredient in baking powder

Sincerely,  
**AGRANO GmbH & Co. KG**

Dr. B. Bohrer  
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